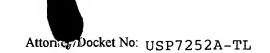
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VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS (37 CFR 1.9 (f) and 1.27 (b)) – INDEPENDENT INVENTOR				
As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that I quality as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9 (c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under section 41 (a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to the invention entitled:  Safety Apparatus for a Piezoelectric Lighter described in:				
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I have not assigned, granted, conveyed or licensed and am under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey or license, any rights in the invention to any person who could not be classified as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9 (c) if that person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9 (d) or a non profit organization under 37 CFR 1.9 (e).  Each person, concern or organization to which I have assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed or am under an obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license any rights in the invention is listed below:				
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## **DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint

inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled Safety Apparatus for a Piezoelectric Lighter the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked: as United States Application Number or PCT International Application was filed on Number and was amended on (if applicable). I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 USC 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed. Prior Foreign Application(s) Priority Claimed ☐ Yes ☐ No (Day/Month/Year Filed) (Number) (Country) ☐ Yes ☐ No (Day/Month/Year Filed) (Number) (Country) Yes No (Day/Month/Year Filed) (Number) (Country) I hereby claimed the benefit under 35 USC 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 USC 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application. (Application Number) (Filing Date) (Status-patented, pending, abandoned) (Application Number) (Filing Date) (Status-patented, pending, abandoned) I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s), with full powers of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: Raymond Yat Chiu Chan, Reg. No. 37,484 Address all correspondence to: 516 San Luis Rey Road, Arcadia, CA 91007 Telephone Calls to: (818) 571-9812 I hereby declare that all Statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willfull false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon. Full name of sole or first inventor (given name, family name) Thomas Ping Hua Lee Inventor's signature May 12, 1997 Citizenship Taiwan, R.O.C. Residence 128 Brent Circle, Industry, Post Office Address Same as above Full name of second joint inventor, if any (given name, family name) Second Inventor's signature Residence Citizenship Post Office Address Additional inventors are being named on separately numberd sheets attached hereto.